

EARLY HELP

Early Help Function [funding from DSG in 2015-16]	What is funded	Benefits to Schools
Targeted Youth Support (TYS) [£22,240]	<p>Youth Workers providing 121 work and group work to vulnerable teenagers 11-19 years. TYS is a specialist early intervention and prevention service for vulnerable young people, providing a range of support in order to help them gain the resilience and skills they need to progress into adult life. Targeted work may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • child sexual exploitation and other risky behaviours • domestic abuse • emotional resilience including suicide prevention and self-harm • homelessness prevention • transition • working with young people with autism and mild to moderate learning needs • mediation and advocacy for young people i.e. between their parents or carers, education provision etc • developing independence skills • substance misuse, working closely with the young people's substance misuse team. <p>TYS works directly with young people, ensuring their voices are heard and understood by the adults in their lives, developing Early Help plans involving family members and other significant people to ensure that the progress made can be sustained by their wider support network beyond their Early Help involvement. This may also require direct working with parents and carers.</p> <p>TYS will also deliver targeted group work programmes where need has been clearly identified. For example the Empower programme which promotes young women's understanding of healthy relationships, having been referred through the Child Sexual Exploitation Panel.</p>	Support the child/young person to maintain school attendance and achieve in education as problems are addressed and have an outlet outside school. Also benefit from group work programme in local area impacting on peers in a community. In 2015-16 to date 74 new young people are receiving a service from this provision and there are 165 children in total open to the service. All are school age.
Youth Offending Service (YOS) [£48,180]	West Mercia YOS - staffing costs for school work.	
Action for Children (Short Breaks) [£15,000]	Short breaks for disabled children (assessed needs). Social and leisure activities for children with disabilities.	Provides support outside school times so pressure doesn't build up during this time and subsequently impact on the child's ability to engage and achieve in school. In 2014-15 138 children all of school age attended these activities. To date, in 2015-16, 129 children have accessed this provision.
Lifelines [£26,000]	Loss and bereavement counselling - referrals come from schools.	Minimises impact on children's ability to attend and achieve in school.
Young Carers (contract with British Red Cross) [£26,520]	Provide 121 support for young carers and group opportunity for children who are carers for parents to have time out with peers and other young carers. From this they get emotional support and a break from caring responsibilities.	This opportunity gives a balanced family life experience to the child as opposed to just school/caring pressures. This improves school attendance and engagement. 146 children open to the service and 31 new referrals received in 2015-16 to date. In process of commissioning new provider.
Parenting [£73,830]	Parenting Understanding Your Child's Behaviour (UYCB). Solihull Approach. Parenting courses delivered through schools and to targeted groups including UYCB for teenagers.	Most schools engaged in delivery of this programme.
Enhance Contract [£308,060]	Safeguarding - 121 work with young people and families on relationships, self-esteem and resilience in coping with pressures. Revised contract is looking to target children with multiple problems.	Support the children/young people to maintain school attendance and achieve in education as problems have an outlet outside school. Schools are primary referers. In 2015-16 to date 139 children received a service. 93 individual children open to the service end of December 2015. 70 on waiting list. Review of criteria and work with CCG to identify children more appropriate to receive alternative early mental health provision.
Looked After Children - Virtual Headteacher [£33,500]	Statutory Virtual Head teacher responsible for management of pupil premium and ensuring LAC achieve good outcomes in education.	Point of contact for schools in addressing needs of LAC children including LAC children placed by other LAs where Shropshire Virtual Headteacher liaises directly with the placing LA.
Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS) [£21,540]	CAMHS post - Compass/Early Help advice and consultation in schools. Compass duty - single point of contact providing referrers with risk and need analysis for tier 2/3 CAMHS.	Point of contact for schools to gather information and to get advice on concerns.
COMPASS - Early Help part [£17,980]		Child Sexual Exploitation.